

REMARKS

Applicant requests reconsideration and further examination of this application.

In response to the Examiner's objection to the Drawings, Applicant has amended Figure 2 to replace the call-out 62 for the lower corner of the float with call-out 63. No new matter has been added, as there is support for the lower corner being call-out 63 in the first full paragraph, on page 6. This was purely a clerical change. Therefore, Figure 2 is now in condition for allowance. Further, Applicant has amended the specification on page 5, second full paragraph, second sentence, to change call-out 62 to 63, reflecting the change to Figure 2. No new matter has been added to the specification, this was purely a clerical change.

In response to the Examiner's objection to the Specification, Applicant has amended page 8, third full paragraph, sentence 3, to replace call-out 84 with 94. No new matter has been added, this was purely a clerical change.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's allowance of Claims 7-20, and the indication that Claims 2-4 and 6 would also be allowed if written in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. In response, Applicant has cancelled Claims 1 and 5. Applicant has amended Claims 2 and 3 to include the limitations of cancelled Claim 1, without the unnecessary limitations of the "inflatable container integrally extending from the anchor connection system," and "is integral with the anchor connection system." Therefore, Applicant believes Claims 2 and 3 are now independent claims and are also now allowable. Applicant has not amended objected Claim 4, as it is dependent upon now allowed Claim 3.

Applicant has amended Claim 6 to include the limitations of cancelled Claims 1 and 5, without the unnecessary limitations of the "inflatable container integrally extending from the anchor connection system" and "is integral with the anchor connection system". Also, Applicant has made a clerical change to cancelled Claim 5 changing "where," to "wherein." Therefore, Applicant believes Claim 6 is independent and now allowable.

Further, when amending Claims 2, 3, and 6, Applicant removed other unnecessary limitations of the original Claim 1 language by adding broadening language to Claims 2, 3, and 6 that a line is "connected to said anchor at or near its first end and to said watercraft at or near its second end." Additionally, Applicant removed the unnecessary limitation of the word "one" in the phrase "the anchor connection system at one outer edge" by changing the phrase to "the

anchor connection system at an outer edge.” Because these were limitations that were unnecessary for novelty and non-obviousness, Applicant stills believes Claims 2, 3, and 6 are allowable.

Applicant now believes the application, and Claims 2-4, and 6-20 are in condition for allowance and respectfully requests the same.

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